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1. In 1952, reserve officers were called up for from three to six months of theoretical training. This year, however, they are being called up for three months of practical training.
2. In 1953, a lieutenant in the Army tried to escape from Tabor in a new tank of Czech make. In the ensuing chase, however, the tank broke down and the officer shot himself before being apprehended.
3. Some Prague paper mills are reported to have been manufacturing paper anti-gas capes since 1953. The capes are said to be of khaki color, fireproof and resistant to chemicals.

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